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IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS SUBCOMMITTEE OF COMIREX

MINUTES OF MEETING

10:00 - 12:30 Tuesday, 27 May 1969

PRESIDING

Acting Chairman

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MEMBERS PRESENT

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Mr. J. C. St. Cyr, OACSI
Lt. Col. N. D. Thurman, AFNIN

Mr. J. Urban, ONI

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25X1A Office of Chairman:

CONSULTANTS PRESENT

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OBSERVERS PRESENT

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Chairman noted distribution of the draft minutes for the meeting of 20 May was made yesterday. A minor change was made to paragraph 13 as requested by DIA. Chairman stated that any additional changes should be provided by COB today.

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Group I

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NRO review(s) completed.

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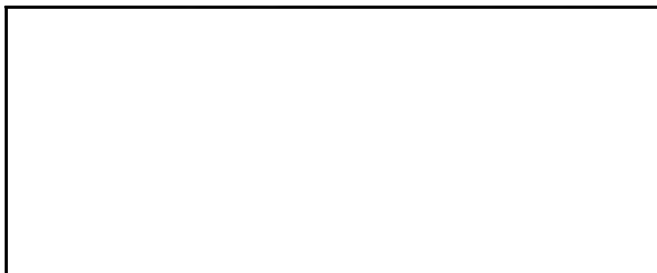
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SATELLITE SCHEDULE

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CORONA

1107 - 23 Jul 69
1052 - 3 Sep 69 -- Last J-1
1108 - 29 Oct 69

SOUTH CHINA/NORTH VIETNAM PRIORITIES LIST

3. No changes were made to the list. The Chairman reported a new listing of the targets would be published this week which will reflect changes that have recently been approved.

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DESIGNATION OF SAM COMPLEXES

5. The Subcommittee reviewed a memorandum from the Chairman which recommended that all SAM installations, including SA-5 sites, be assigned to the II COMIREX category. The members approved the recommendation contained in paragraph 1, however, the Army member requested additional time for reviewing the proposal contained in paragraph 2. Attached is a copy of the Chairman's memorandum.

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MIDDLE EAST REQUIREMENTS

6. The Chairman stated he would distribute in a few days a draft statement of reconnaissance requirements for the Middle East. He noted that the paper would consolidate input from the various members. The DIA member reported the DoD was in the process of restudying the requirement in greater detail.

COVERAGE OF CHINESE COMMUNIST STRATEGIC WEAPONS INSTALLATIONS

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7. A draft memorandum containing comments and recommendations relating to a paper from [] entitled "Optimizing of KH Mission to Improve Intelligence Analysis re Chinese Communist Strategic Weapons Targets" was approved for forwarding to Chairman, COMIREX. In discussing the requirement for a search of the Chinese rail net for MRBM deployment, it was noted there was disagreement in the amount of coverage shown by NPIC as being suitable for MRBM negation and the coverage reported by AMS against the "holiday" program. The Chairman stated that NPIC used more stringent criteria in terms of quality. Chairman stated he would arrange a briefing by the NPIC rail net expert.

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8. [] reported that COMIREX had been instructed to review the reconnaissance requirement for Cuba. He noted that no deadline had been established but the review should be accomplished in an expeditious manner.

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HELO CARRIER PROGRAM

10. The Navy member reported a high level source recently indicated that the Helo carrier program is continuing, and that two more units are now under construction.

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Since the most likely construction yard is NOSENKO 444 in NIKOLAYEV [redacted], it is requested that high priority programming be obtained [redacted]

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TARGET UPDATES

11. The weekly transaction sheets containing:
- 143 Additions
 - 4 Reactivates
 - 10 Changes
 - 32 Deletions were approved.

Two delete actions were held in a pending status until the next meeting.

12. A request was made by the DIA member that the ICRS Staff complete and distribute COMIREX Form No. 1 (Nomination Form) for additions the ICRS Staff is recommending. [redacted] agreed and said he would provide nomination forms on future adds in accordance with agreed distribution. It was agreed that "Automatic" inputs, i. e., ICBM and SAM Installations would not require a nomination form.

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Attachment: a/s

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Imagery Collection Requirements Subcommittee

SUBJECT : SAM's

1. The SAM Category has presented considerable problems for the Imagery Collection Requirements Subcommittee Staff in the past in the proper differentiation of operational SAM sites and training sites. The primary cause is the fact that most of the SAM sites, which have a training role, also have an operational role. When initially detected they have generally been added to the COMIREX file as II's. Later coverage may confirm a training function as well as an operational function, however, the Staff may not be made aware of this fact and the result has been a mixture of SAM/SAM Training Sites in the II and II category. Therefore to insure target deck compatibility and retention of historical records on one COMIREX number only, it is recommended that all SAM installations be assigned a II COMIREX number whether they have an operational training or support function. The sites with a training or support function will be readily identifiable by the name, IDHS category and CCRP code. The support sites would be additionally identifiable by the COMIREX suffix, i.e., ZA for the SAM Support Facility associated with the particular SAM Complex, ZB if more than one support facility, etc.

2. It is also recommended that the SA-5 sites be assigned to the II COMIREX category since it has been agreed this system does not have an anti-missile role.

3. This subject will be placed on the 27 May ICRS agenda.

U Acting Chairman
Imagery Collection Requirements
Subcommittee

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IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS SUBCOMMITTEE OF COMIREX

AGENDA

10:00, 27 May 1969, Headquarters

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1. Approval of Minutes - 20 May Meeting.
2. Launch Schedule - SAFSS
3. South China/North Vietnam Priority List.
(ICRS-D-6/18-2, dated 27 March 1969)
- 4.
5. Designation of SAM Complexes.
(See ICRS draft on this subject, dated 21 May)
6. Middle East Requirements.
7. COMIREX-D-25-3/7 (Optimizing of KH Mission - - - - -
re Chinese Communist Strategic Weapons Targets.
8. Other Business.

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